



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of )  
Jean Weissenbach et al. )  
Application No.: 09/830,902 )  
Filed: May 2, 2001 )  
For: CLONING, EXPRESSION AND )  
CHARACTERIZATION OF THE )  
SPG4 GENE RESPONSIBLE FOR )  
THE MOST FREQUENT FORM OF )  
AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT SPASTIC )  
PARAPLEGIA )

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004, Applicants submit herewith the following Response and Petition for two month Extension of Time, extending the period for response from November 24, 2004 to January 24, 2004.